

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-11 and 14-24 were examined by the Office, and in the Office Action of August 20, 2008 all claims are rejected. With this response claims 1, 3, 14-16, 18-19 and 22 are amended. All amendments are fully supported by the specification as originally filed. Support for the amendments to the claims can be found at least from page 7, lines 17-20 and page 9, lines 17-27. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following discussion.

Claim Rejections Under § 103

In section 3, on page 2 of the Office Action, claims 1-3, 5-7, 10, 14-16 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Edelman et al. (U.S. Appl. Publ. No. 2002/0029347) in view of Circenis (U.S. Appl. Publ. No. 2003/0135474). Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 is not disclosed or suggested by the cited references, because the cited references fail to disclose or suggest all of the limitations recited in claim 1. Applicant respectfully submits that the cited references at least fail to disclose or suggest receiving an application identifier for an application at a business relationship manager module, and transmitting a user identifier of a user of a wireless terminal to an operator network, wherein the user identifier is independent of the business relationship manager module, as recited in claim 1.

In contrast to claim 1, Edelman discusses that a program installed on a client computer (100) communicates with a licensing medium (120), which is a portable component that contains information concerning the software or other licensed electronic data that the user is authorized to access. See Edelman paragraphs [0059]-[0060]. The licensing medium, i.e. smart card (120), contains licensing information that indicates

to the client program which software the user is authorized to access. See Edelman paragraph [0065]. It appears that the licensing medium (120) discussed in Edelman corresponds to the business relationship manager module recited in claim 1. Because both components are related to containing information regarding authorized/registered applications.

However, Edelman does not disclose or suggest transmitting a user identifier of a user of a wireless terminal that is independent of the business relationship manager module, as recited in claim 1. Instead, during registration of software in Edelman, the program reads data from the licensing medium, i.e. smart card (120), and transmits it to the registration authority along with a set of registration information. See Edelman paragraph [0077]. The registration information sent to the registration authority includes the unique identifier of the software to be registered, as well as a product number for the software to be registered, and a unique smart card serial number. See Edelman paragraphs [0080]-[0081]. The unique smart card serial number is not independent of the licensing medium, i.e. smart card 120, and therefore cannot correspond to the user identifier, as recited in claim 1. The user identifier both identifies the user of the wireless terminal and is independent of the business relationship manager module. Therefore, the amendments to claim 1 further clarify the distinctions between Edelman and the present invention.

Furthermore, Circenis fails to make up for the deficiencies in the teachings of Edelman identified above, and as such the cited references, alone or in combination, fail to disclose or suggest all of the limitations recited in claim 1.

Independent claims 14-16 and 18 contain limitations similar to those recited in claim 1. Therefore, applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 14-16 and 18 are not disclosed or

suggested by the cited references for at least the reasons discussed above with respect to claim 1.

The dependent claims rejected above ultimately depend from an independent claim, and therefore are not disclosed or suggested by the cited references at least in view of their dependencies.

In section 12, on page 5 of the Office Action, claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Edelman in view of Circenis, and further in view of Official Notice.

Applicant respectfully submits that claim 8 is not disclosed or suggested at least in view of its dependency.

In section 14, on page 6 of the Office Action, claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Edelman in view of Circenis, and in further view of and Emondi et al. (U.S. Appl. Publ. No. 2002/0016748). The additional cited references fails to make up for the deficiencies in the teachings of the references cited against claim 1 identified above. Claim 11 ultimately depends from independent claim 1, and therefore is not disclosed or suggested by the cited references at least in view of its dependency.

In section 16, on page 7 of the Office Action, claim 17 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Edelman in view of Circenis, and in further view of Emondi and Samjani, "General Packet Radio Service." The additional cited references fail to make up for the deficiencies in the teachings of the references cited against claim 16 identified above. Claim 17 ultimately depends from independent claim 16, and therefore is not disclosed or suggested by the cited references at least in view of its dependency.

In section 18, on page 8 of the Office Action, claims 19 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Kunii in view of Edelman, and in further view of Circenis. Independent claims 19 and 22 are amended to contain limitations similar to those recited in claim 1. For at least the reasons discussed above with respect to claim 1, the cited references fail to disclose or suggest the limitations of amended claims 19 and 22.

In section 21, on page 10 of the Office Action, claim 20 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Kunii in view of Edelman, and in further view of Circenis, CGI and Samjani. Claim 20 ultimately depends from an independent claim, and therefore is not disclosed or suggested by the cited references at least in view of its dependency.

In section 23, on page 11 of the Office Action, claims 21 and 24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Kunii in view of Edelman, and in further view of Circenis and Samjani, "General Packet Radio Service." Claims 21 and 24 ultimately depend from an independent claim, and therefore are not disclosed or suggested by the cited references at least in view of their dependencies.

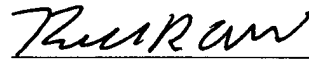
In section 26, on page 13 of the Office Action, claim 23 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Kunii in view of Edelman, and in further view of Circenis, CGI and Samjani. Claim 23 ultimately depends from independent claim 22, and therefore is not disclosed or suggested by the cited references at least in view of its dependency.

Conclusion

For at least the reasons discussed above, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited. The undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 23-0442 for any fee deficiency required to submit this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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